



**NORTH
EAST LINK**
PROJECT

Getting people and goods
where they need to go faster

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NORTH EAST LINK IS A STEP CLOSER

Connecting an upgraded Eastern Freeway from Springvale Road to the M80 Ring Road

We're moving ahead on Victoria's biggest ever transport project.

North East Link will finally connect the missing link in Melbourne's freeway network, while increasing the capacity of the Eastern Freeway.

It will slash travel times, get trucks off local roads and link key growth areas in the north and south-east.

This massive project is set to be the single biggest transport infrastructure investment in Victorian history. It is expected to create and support around 10,000 Victorian jobs.

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North East Link will











- ✓ Slash congestion and travel times
- ✓ Get trucks off local streets
- ✓ Build Victoria's longest tunnel to protect the Yarra River and Banyule Flats
- ✓ Clear bottlenecks on the Eastern Freeway

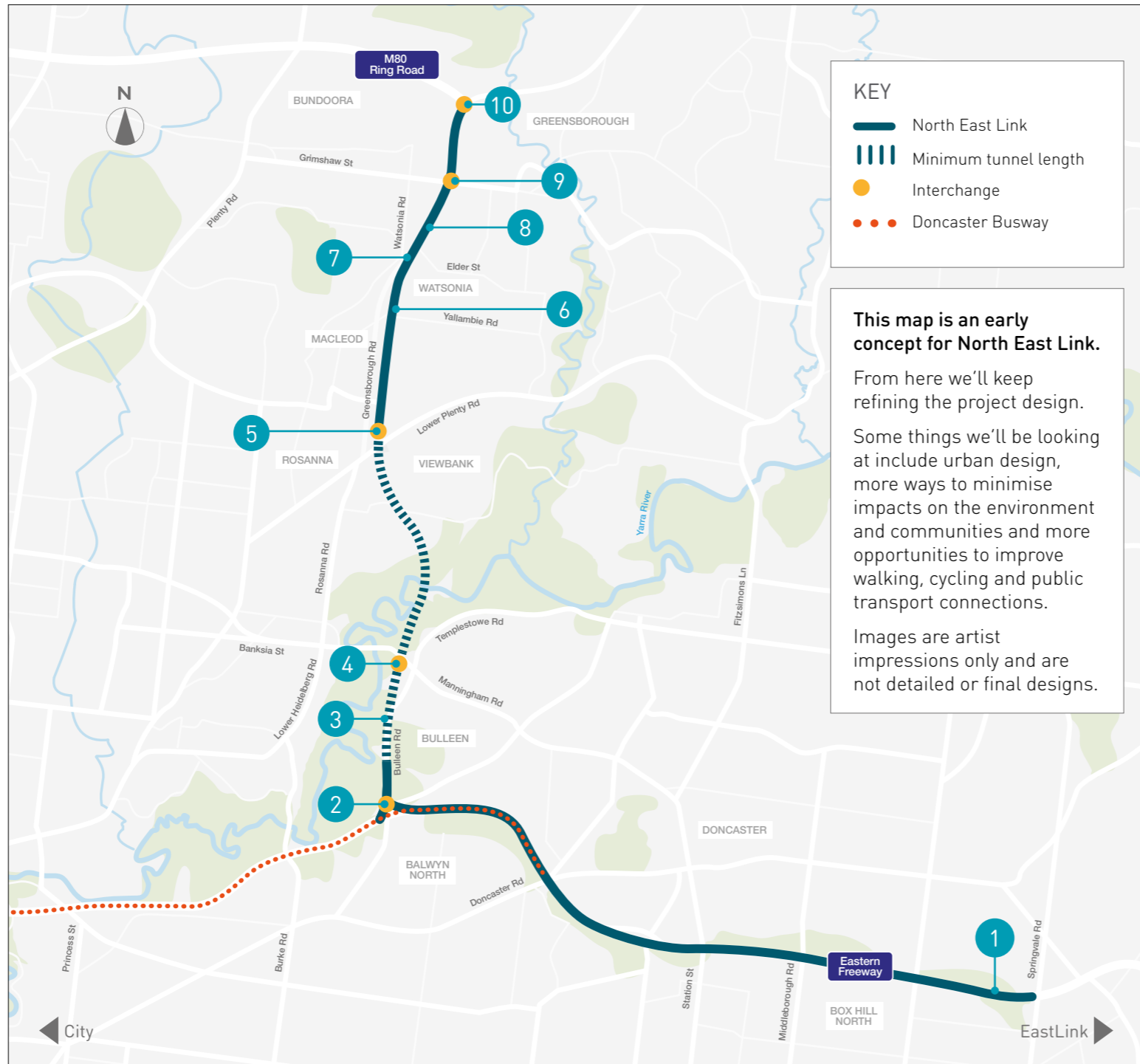
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NORTH EAST LINK

-  Up to 30 minute faster trips between Melbourne's north and south-east
-  Congestion on local roads eased
-  Up to 40% faster trips on the Eastern Freeway
-  15,000 trucks off local roads a day
-  No tolls on the Eastern Freeway, M80 Ring Road or local roads
-  New Doncaster Busway system along the Eastern Freeway towards the city
-  New and upgraded walking and cycling links all the way from the M80 to the Eastern Freeway and Yarra Trail
-  A seamless trip to Melbourne Airport from Doncaster, Ringwood and beyond
-  18 sets of traffic lights skipped for trips between the M80 Ring Road and the Eastern Freeway
-  New or improved noise walls for the Eastern Freeway, M80 and North East Link.



North East Link will be lowered and run along the Simpson Barracks side of Greensborough Rd

- 3** A 5 kilometre tunnel will start under Bulleen Road to protect residential areas, Bolin Bolin Billabong, the Yarra River and Banyule Flats.
- 4** An underground interchange south of Manningham Road with ramps to connect with local roads.
- 5** Tunnel under Lower Plenty Road. Connections on the north side will provide links to local roads.
- 6** North East Link will be lowered and run along the Simpson Barracks side of Greensborough Road between Lower Plenty Road and Elder Street. Green bridges will create new open spaces and keep communities connected.
- 7** Local access to Watsonia Station will be provided and car parking will be improved. A pedestrian bridge will link to the station and shops.
- 8** North East Link will continue north using the Greensborough Highway road reserve. Local roads along both sides of North East Link will still be available for local, toll-free trips.
- 9** North East Link will pass under a new interchange at Grimshaw Street. There will be connections to local roads.



A 5 km tunnel to protect neighbourhoods and the environment



North East Link under Grimshaw Street

- 10** The traffic lights at the M80 Ring Road will be removed and a new free-flowing interchange will link North East Link, the M80 and Greensborough Bypass.



A free-flowing connection with the M80

1 An overhaul to increase the capacity and reliability of the Eastern Freeway will slash travel times. Up to seven new lanes will be added and express lanes for through traffic will reduce the kind of merging and weaving that causes congestion.



New lanes on the Eastern Freeway and Doncaster Busway



Bulleen Road kept for local use

2 A new interchange at Bulleen Road will be safe, seamless and kept as small and low as possible. Bulleen Road will be kept open for local use.



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North East Link will fix the missing link between Melbourne's north and east/south-east and get cars and trucks off some of our city's most congested roads.

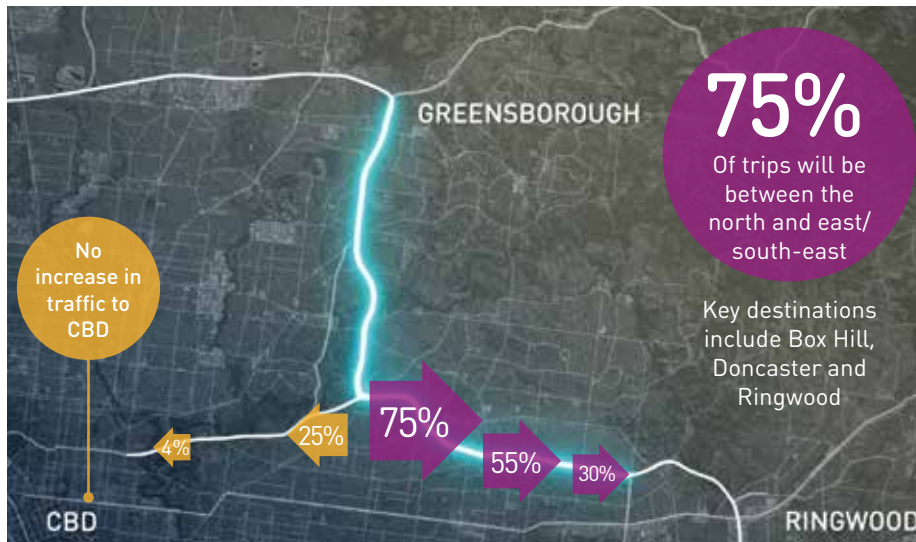
Cars and trucks off local streets a day

- ↓ 20,000 - 30,000 off Greensborough Rd
- ↓ 9,000 - 11,000 off Rosanna Rd
- ↓ 11,000 - 14,000 off Fitzsimons Ln
- ↓ 11,000 - 14,000 off Lower Plenty Rd
- ↓ 7,000 - 9,000 off Banksia St
- ↓ 7,000 - 9,000 off Plenty Rd
- ↓ 6,000 - 8,000 off Burke Rd
- ↓ 5,000 - 6,000 off Reynolds Road
- ↓ 4,000 - 5,000 off Chandler Highway
- ↓ 3,000 - 4,000 off Main Road



75%
of trucks
off Rosanna
Road

Who will be going where on North East Link?



Next steps

2017

Project corridor announced

Conversations with communities about the project.

Early 2018

Early design

We'll ask communities to provide more input to help shape key areas of the project.

Early-Mid 2018

Start planning and approvals

We'll refine the design further so we can start the planning and approvals process and will keep talking to communities.

2019

Select a preferred builder

We'll release the project to market and select a preferred builder.

Stay involved

We're one step closer to fixing the missing link, but we've still got a lot more work to do and there are many more opportunities for you to get involved.

Visit a community drop-in

Over the coming weeks our team will be at Rosanna, Bulleen, Heidelberg and other locations.

Hours 2pm - 7pm, Wednesdays
11am - 2pm, Saturdays

For details call 1800 941 191 or visit northeastlink.vic.gov.au/community

Talk to us online

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- Ask a question
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